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DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE  
PROGRAM

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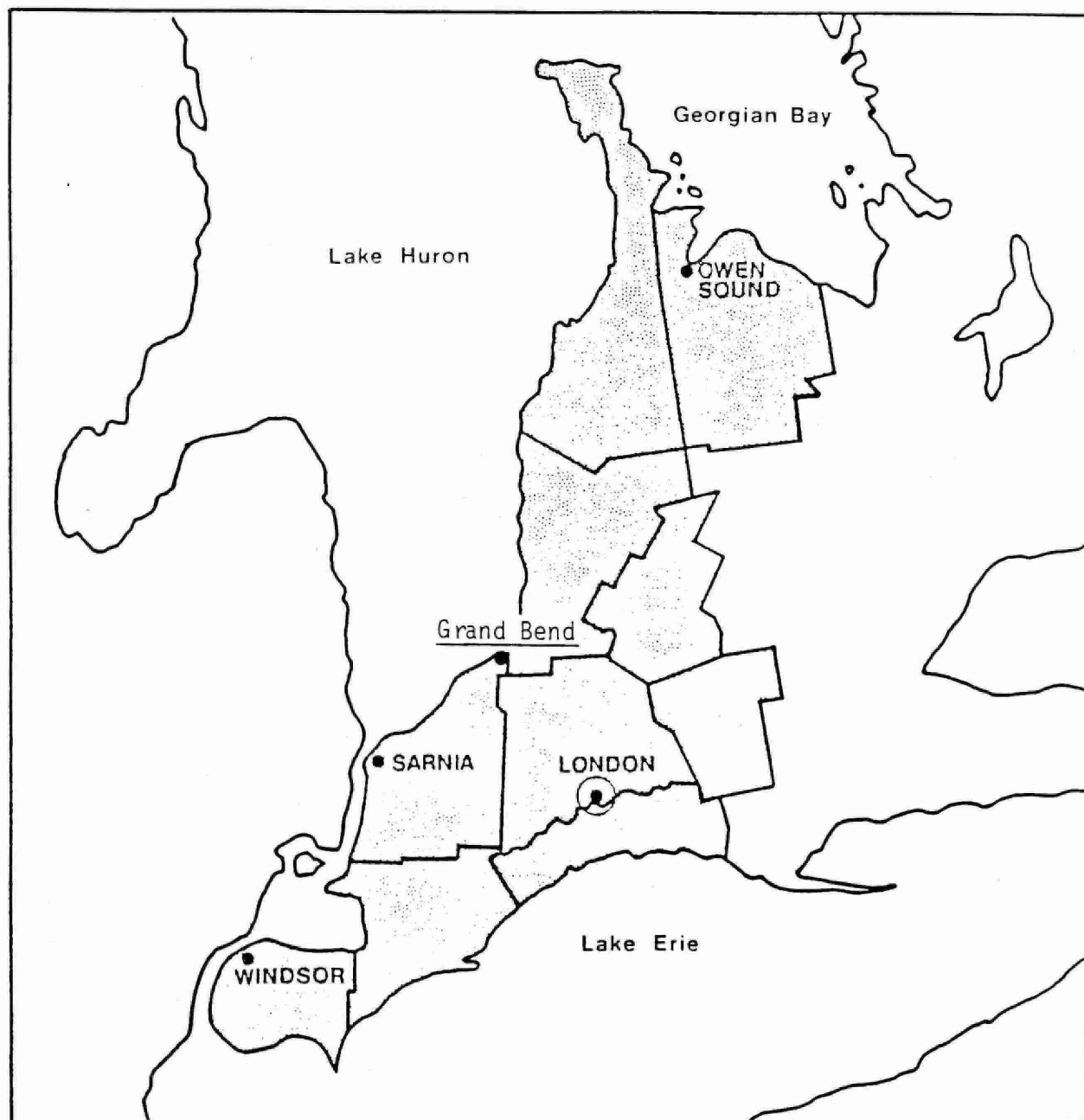
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## Southwestern Region





## LAKE HURON WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

Location: P.O. Box 40  
Grand Bend, Ontario  
NOM 1T0  
(519-238-8466)

Source: Lake Huron

Design Capacity: 345.5 1000 M3/day  
Operation: Ministry of the Environment  
Plant Superintendent: A. Scott

Ministry Region: Southwestern Region  
Sarnia District Office  
Suite 109, 265 N. Front Street  
Sarnia, Ontario  
N7T 7X1  
(519-336-4030)

Municipalities Served: City of London (260,000)  
Village of Ilderton (4,765)  
Village of Ailsa Craig (831)  
Town of Parkhill (1,347)  
London Township (1,958)  
McGillivray Township (1,820)  
Stephen Township (4,204)  
West Williams Township (952)

Treatment Type: Physical and chemical treatment consisting of  
coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation and  
filtration (conventional) and disinfection  
as well as fluoridation.

Chemicals Used: Prechlorination - chlorine  
Coagulation - alum liquid with polyelectrolyte  
Post chlorination - chlorine  
Fluoridation - hydrofluosilicic acid

## LAKE HURON WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM, 1986

The Lake Huron Water Supply System was sampled 7 times in 1986; results are given for raw and treated samples.

The parameters analyzed fall into several categories: physical parameters and general chemistry, bacterial parameters, metals, and organic substances including volatile and chloroaromatic substances and pesticides.

The discussion of results focuses on health-related parameters found in treated water:

#### (a) Organic Substances

Analysis was carried out for approximately 110 organic compounds. The only volatile compounds found, trihalomethanes (THMs) were always present in treated waters; the highest level recorded for total THMs was 43 ug/L.

None of the pesticides analyzed for was found.

No chlorophenolic compounds were found.

Only one other organic compound was found at quantifiable levels in treated water at this supply; this was 1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzene (17 ng/L).

#### (b) Other Parameters

The aesthetic ODWO\* for organic nitrogen was exceeded in one treated water sample. Of the other physical, general chemistry and microbiological parameters and metals analyzed, for which there are health-related ODWO, none exceeded the objectives, in treated water.

The results of these analyses are consistent with those obtained in other areas of the Great Lakes.

The treated water from the supply did not exceed any known health-related guidelines for organic substances applicable to drinking water.

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\* The Ontario Drinking Water Objectives, revised 1983.

**LAKE HURON WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM**  
**SUMMARY TABLE OF RESULTS**  
**DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM, 1986**

Lake Huron Water Supply System was sampled 7 times in 1986.

PARAMETER CATEGORY	TYPE OF SAMPLE	
	RAW	TREATED*
1. GENERAL CHEMISTRY - includes <u>anions</u> such as sulphate, <u>field analyses</u> such as chlorine residual and <u>physical parameters</u> such as colour.		
Total number of parameters in category: 21		
- Total number of analyses completed	126	126
- Total number of positive results	110	90
- Number of times guidelines exceeded	N/A	1
Guidelines exceeded - aesthetic ODWO** for organic nitrogen (1)		
2. METALS - includes metals such as copper and lead.		
Total number of parameters in category: 24		
- Total number of analyses completed	152	152
- Total number of positive results	66	66
- Number of times guidelines exceeded	N/A	0
3. BACTERIOLOGY - includes bacteria such as coliforms.		
Total number of parameters in category: 5		
- Total number of analyses completed	27	28
- Total number of positive results	19	4
- Number of times guidelines exceeded	N/A	0
4. VOLATILES - includes compounds such as benzene and toluene; also included in this category are trihalomethanes (5 parameters), acknowledged to be produced during water treatment.		
Total number of parameters in category: 29		
- Total number of analyses completed	197	196
- Total number of positive results	7	28
- Number of times guidelines exceeded	N/A	0
5. PESTICIDES -		
Total number of parameters in category: 65		
- Total number of analyses completed	277	277
- Total number of positive results	0	0
- Number of times guidelines exceeded	N/A	0
6. CHLOROAROMATICS AND CHLOROPHENOLS - includes a range of chlorinated organic compounds.		
Total number of parameters in category: 19		
- Total number of analyses completed	103	103
- Total number of positive results	0	1
- Number of times guidelines exceeded	N/A	0

\* Total number of analyses completed will not always equal the number of parameters analyzed for multiplied by number of times the supply was sampled, because of accidents during shipping or analyses or analytical difficulties.

\*\* Ontario Drinking Water Objective.

## DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM

The Drinking Water Surveillance Program (DWSP) for Ontario is a computerized drinking water information system. The objectives of this program are to provide:

- immediate, reliable, current information on drinking water quality,
- a flagging mechanism for 'Objective' exceedence,
- a definition of contaminant levels and trends,
- a comprehensive background for remedial action,
- a framework for assessment of new contaminants,
- an indication of treatment efficiency of plant processes.

### Program

The DWSP began in April 1986 and is designed to eventually include all municipal water supplies in Ontario. Water supply locations have been prioritized for surveillance, based primarily on such criteria as population density, probability of contamination and geographical location.

Once the data base becomes established, an assessment of monitoring requirements for the future will be made; monitoring will be continued at the initial locations at an appropriate level and further locations will be phased on to the program as resources permit. It is

estimated that after 4 years of operation, the program will be monitoring 90 locations.

A major goal of the program is to collect valid water quality data, in context with plant operation characteristics in the plant at the time of sampling.

Assessments are carried out at all locations prior to sampling in order to acquire full plant process and distribution system details, and to designate (and retrofit if necessary) all sampling systems and locations.

Samples are taken of the raw (ambient water quality) and treated water at the treatment plants, and also in the distribution systems. In order to determine possible effects of distribution on water quality, both standing and flowing water in old and new sections of the distribution system are sampled. Sampling is carried out by Ministry of the Environment (MOE) Regional staff and/or Municipal personnel who have been trained in the applicable procedures. Comprehensive sampling kits and documented sampling procedures are made available to samplers. This ensures that samples are taken and shipped according to standard protocols and that field testing will supply reliable data. All analyses are carried out using approved documented procedures.

#### Data Reporting Mechanism

Final analytical results are usually received by the DWSP reporting system within 6 weeks of the time of sampling. At this time, printouts of the completed analyses are sent to the MOE District Officer and the appropriate MOE regional office, and are also retained by the DWSP co-ordinator. The DWSP is able to monitor analysis results and assess trends. Should the level of

a contaminant exceed a health-related Ontario Drinking Water Objective, action is required as outlined in the publication, Ontario Drinking Water Objectives.\* The DWSP issues an "Action Alert" which notifies appropriate MOE and health authorities, and supplies a history of the occurrence of the contaminant in the water supply system concerned.

#### Parameters Analyzed

About one hundred and forty (140) different parameters are routinely measured on DWSP covering microbiological, organic and inorganic substances of concern, as well as process parameters.

Parameters included in the program are based on the following criteria:

- probability that the substance has the potential to cause problems (health-related or aesthetic);
- probability of occurrence in ambient water;
- availability of routine analytical and sampling methods for monitoring and control purposes;
- feasibility of control.

The range of parameters includes those having Ontario Drinking Water Objectives (ODWO), World Health Organization Drinking Water Guideline values, or other

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\* Ontario Drinking Water Objectives, revised 1983, published by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment.

jurisdiction's drinking water objectives (e.g. State of California) as well as compounds of concern to other agencies such as the International Joint Commission, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

The parameters monitored routinely during 1986 are shown in Table 1; this table also includes available guidelines which are appropriate for drinking water, and the analytical detection limit (the lowest concentration that can be detected by laboratory analysis) for each parameter.

Analyses for additional pesticides may be included on certain sampling dates; such additional pesticides are selected from the list shown in Table 1A. These analyses may be done on a seasonal basis, in response to an identified concern or because of a potential for occurrence in certain locations. Seasonal analyses for specified additional pesticides are normally carried out at times corresponding to maximal agricultural use or run-off periods, i.e. in spring and fall seasons.

#### Drinking Water Guidelines

The Ministry of the Environment published a revised edition of "Ontario Drinking Water Objectives" in 1983.

The primary purpose of drinking water objectives is the protection of the health of the public consuming the water. Aesthetic considerations may also provide a basis for drinking water objectives, since the water should be pleasant to drink. The control of such aspects of water quality as hardness, corrosiveness, etc. is also important. The limits set are considered to outline the minimum requirements necessary to fulfill the above objectives, and may be either health-related or related to aesthetic and other considerations.

Because this survey covered such a large number of parameters, many of them did not have an ODWO. In order to be able to compare data results to health guidelines, it was necessary to refer to objectives and guidelines developed by other jurisdictions.

The footnotes to Table 1 indicate the sources and derivation of the various guidelines.



TABLE 1: DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM, PARAMETERS ANALYSED

PARAMETER CATEGORY	Objective Guideline (1)	Detection Limit	PARAMETER CATEGORY	Objective Guideline (1)	Detection Limit
<b>CHEMISTRY:</b>					
Conductivity	-	0.01 UMHO/CM	Barium	1 mg/L	0.001 mg/L
Hardness	-	0.5 mg/L	Boron	5 mg/L	0.02 mg/L
Calcium	-	0.1 mg/L	Beryllium	-	0.001 mg/L
Magnesium	-	0.05 mg/L	Cyanide	0.2 mg/L	0.001 mg/L
Sodium	-	0.1 mg/L	Cadmium	0.005 mg/L	0.0003 mg/L
Alkalinity	-	0.2 mg/L	Cobalt	-	0.001 mg/L
pH	-	-	Chromium	0.05 mg/L	0.001 mg/L
Fluoride	2.4 mg/L	0.01 mg/L	Copper	1 mg/L	0.001 mg/L
Chloride	250 mg/L	0.2 mg/L	Mercury	1 µg/L	0.01 µg/L
Residue total (solids)	-	1 mg/L	Molybdenum	-	0.001 mg/L
Turbidity	1 FTU	.01 FTU	Nickel	-	0.002 mg/L
Phosphorus	-	0.002 mg/L	Lead	0.05 mg/L	0.003 mg/L
Phosphates	-	0.0005 mg/L	Selenium	0.01 mg/L	0.001 mg/L
Nitrogen Total Kjeldahl	0.15 mg/L*	0.1 mg/L	Strontium	-	0.001 mg/L
Ammonium Total	-	0.05 mg/L	Vanadium	-	0.001 mg/L
Colour	5 TCU	0.5 TCU	Zinc	5 mg/L	0.001 mg/L
Nitrates Total	10 mg/L as N	.05 mg/L	<b>BACTERIOLOGY (RAW ONLY):</b>		
Nitrite	1 mg/L as N	0.0005 mg/L	Total Coliform MF	-	0
			Total Coliform MF BKGD	-	0
			Fecal Coliform	-	0
			Standard Plate Count MF	-	0
<b>METALS:</b>			<b>(TREATED ONLY):</b>		
Uranium	0.02 mg/L(t)	0.002 mg/L‡	Present/Absent (P/A) Test	Absent	Absent
Iron	0.3 mg/L	0.002 mg/L	Total Coliform MF BKGD	-	0
Manganese	0.05 mg/L	0.001 mg/L	Fecal Coliform	0	0
Aluminum	-	0.003 mg/L	Standard Plate Count MF	<500 orgs/mL	0
Arsenic	0.05 mg/L	0.001 mg/L			

TABLE 1: DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM, PARAMETERS ANALYSED (cont'd)

PARAMETER CATEGORY	Objective Guideline (1)	Detection Limit	PARAMETER CATEGORY	Objective Guideline (1)	Detection Limit
<b>VOLATILES:</b>			<b>CHLOROAROMATICS:</b>		
1,1-Dichloroethylene	0.3 µg/L(h)	1.0 µg/L	Hexachloroethane	19000 ng/L(e)	1 ng/L
Dichloromethane	40 µg/L(c)	5 µg/L	1,3,5-Trichlorobenzene	10000 ng/L(y)	5 ng/L
TRS-1,2-Dichloroethylene	-	1 µg/L	1,2,4-Trichlorobenzene	15000 ng/L(y)	5 ng/L
1,1-Dichloroethane	-	1 µg/L	Hexachlorobutadiene	4500 ng/L(e)	1 ng/L
Chloroform	350 µg/L <sup>++</sup>	1 µg/L	1,2,3-Trichlorobenzene	10000 ng/L(y)	5 ng/L
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	1000 µg/L(c)	1 µg/L	2,4,5-Trichlorotoluene	-	5 ng/L
1,2-Dichloroethane	10 µg/L(h)	1 µg/L	2,3,6-Trichlorotoluene	-	5 ng/L
Carbon Tetrachloride	3 µg/L(h)	1 µg/L	1,2,3,5-Tetrachloro- benzene	-	1 ng/L
Benzene	10 µg/L(h)	1 µg/L	1,2,4,5-Tetrachloro- benzene	38000 ng/L(e)	1 ng/L
1,2-Dichloropropane	-	1 µg/L	2,6,A-Trichlorotoluene	-	5 ng/L
Trichloroethylene	30 µg/L(h)	1 µg/L	1,2,3,4-Tetrachloro- benzene	-	1 ng/L
Dichlorobromomethane	350 µg/L <sup>++</sup>	1 µg/L	Pentachlorobenzene	74000 ng/L(e)	1 ng/L
Toluene	100 µg/L(c)	1 µg/L	Total PCB's	3000 ng/L(t)	20 ng/L
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	6 µg/L(e)	1 µg/L	<b>PESTICIDES:</b>		
Chlorodibromomethane	350 µg/L <sup>++</sup>	1 µg/L	Hexachlorobenzene	10 ng/L(h)	1 ng/L
Tetrachloroethylene	10 µg/L(h)	1 µg/L	Heptachlor	3000 ng/L <sup>+++</sup>	1 ng/L
Chlorobenzene	100-300 ng/L(h)*	1 ng/L	Aldrin	700 ng/L <sup>**</sup>	1 ng/L
Trifluorochlorotoluene	-	1 µg/L	PP-DDE	d	1 ng/L
Ethylbenzene	1400 µg/L(e)	1 µg/L	Mirex	-	5 ng/L
Ethylene Dibromide	0.02 µg/L(x)	1 µg/L	Alpha BHC	700 ng/L(c)	1 ng/L
P-Xylene	620 µg/L(c)	1 µg/L	Beta BHC	300 ng/L(c)	1 ng/L
M-Xylene	620 µg/L(c)	1 µg/L	Gamma BHC (Lindane)	4000 ng/L	1 ng/L
O-Xylene	620 µg/L(c)	1 µg/L	Alpha Chlordane	7000 ng/L <sup>***</sup>	2 ng/L
Total Trihalomethanes	350 µg/L <sup>++</sup>	3 µg/L	Gamma Chlordane	7000 ng/L <sup>***</sup>	2 ng/L
Bromoform	350 µg/L <sup>++</sup>	1 µg/L	Oxychlordane	-	2 ng/L
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	1.7 µg/L(e)	1 µg/L			
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	400 µg/L(e)	1 µg/L			
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	400 µg/L(e)	1 µg/L			
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	400 µg/L(e)	1 µg/L			

TABLE 1: DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM, PARAMETERS ANALYSED (cont'd)

PARAMETER CATEGORY	Objective Guideline (1)	Detection Limit	PARAMETER CATEGORY	Objective Guideline (1)	Detection Limit
<u>Pesticides (cont'd)</u>					
OP-DDT	30000 ng/L(d)	5 ng/L			
PP-DDD	d	5 ng/L			
PP-DDT	d	5 ng/L			
Methoxychlor	100000 ng/L	5 ng/L			
Heptachlor Epoxide	3000 ng/L+++	1 ng/L			
Endosulfan 1	74000 ng/L(ea)	2 ng/L			
Dieldrin	700 ng/L**	2 ng/L			
Endrin	200 ng/L	4 ng/L			
Endosulfan 2	74000 ng/L(ea)	4 ng/L			
Endosulfan Sulphate	-	4 ng/L			
Octachlorostyrene	-	1 ng/L			
Toxaphene	5000 ng/L	PA(xx)			

Footnotes:

- (l) = Ontario Drinking Water Objectives (ODWO) for drinking water, unless noted.
- (t) = ODWO Interim maximum acceptable concentration (IMAC) for drinking water.
- (c) = California State Department of Health Action Level for drinking water.
- (d) = ODWO for DDT (contains other isomers such as OPDDT and PPDDT).
- (e) = US EPA ambient guideline; guideline levels when it is assumed that untreated water and fish and shellfish are consumed from the same body of water.
- (ea) = United States Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA) ambient level for endosulfan (contains other isomers).
- (h) = World Health Organization (WHO) guideline for drinking water.
- (h)\* = World Health Organization (WHO) Odour Threshold for drinking water.
- (x) = State of Florida, maximum contaminant level for drinking water.
- (xx) = the presence of toxaphene is detected in scan used; positive samples would be quantified by special additional analysis.
- (y) = New York State (Taste and Odour) proposed drinking water guideline.
- ++ = total Trihalomethanes.
- +++ = combined total; Heptachlor and Heptachlor Epoxide.
- \* = total Kjeldahl Nitrogen minus Ammonia Nitrogen.
- \*\* = total of Aldrin and Dieldrin.
- \*\*\* = Chlordane is a mixture of alpha and gamma isomers.
- ‡ = Analysis changed to mass spectrometry method in mid-1986, detection limit 0.0001 mg/L.

TABLE 1A: DRINKING WATER SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM SPECIAL PESTICIDES

Dicamba	Reldan
2,4-D	Ronnel
2,4-DB	Carbofuran
2,4-DP	Propoxur
2,4,5-T	IPC
Silvex (2,4,5-TP)	Aminocarb
Picloram	CIPC
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	Eptam
2,4,5-Trichlorophenol	Benonyl
2,3,4-Trichlorophenol	Bux
2,3,5,6-Tetrachlorophenol	Diallate
2,3,4,5-Tetrachlorophenol	Sevin
Pentachlorophenol	Sutan
Diazinon	Propazine
Dichlorvos	Atrazine
Dursban	Simazine
Ethion	Sencor (metribuzin)
Guthion	Bladex (Cyanazine)
Malathion	Prometone
Mevinphos	Ametryne
Methyl Parathion	Prometryne
Methyl Trithion	Atratone
Parathion	Alachlor
Phorate (Thimet)	Metolachlor

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The parameters analyzed fall into several categories: physical parameters and general chemistry (chemistry), bacterial parameters, metals, and organic substances including volatile and chloroaromatic substances and pesticides. Many of the substances analyzed for are naturally-occurring or treatment by-products.

The results of analysis of raw and treated water samples are shown in Tables 2 and 3. Table 2 shows the categories of parameters analyzed, as well as the total number of analyses which were completed in each category for both raw and treated water samples and the total number of positive results which were obtained. Table 3 lists the sampling dates and the numerical values for each parameter for which analysis produced a positive (quantifiable) result.

The Lake Huron Water Supply System was sampled 7 times in 1986.

### (a) Non Organic Substances

There are 200 positive results of 252 reported analyses for physical parameters, such as pH and temperature and general chemistry tests. The results of these tests are used as an indication of the analytical validity and integrity of the samples, the general characteristics of the water, and as a guide to making an assessment of the treatment process; they may also indicate whether any changes occur during the time elapsing between sampling and actual analysis. Organic nitrogen exceeded the aesthetic ODWO in one treated water sample; levels of organic nitrogen above the limit can result in taste and odour problems.

Positive results were obtained for 23 analyses for bacterial parameters out of a total number reported of 55. These bacterial tests include those for species of paramount importance from a public health point of view, and those which assess the general bacteriological quality and characteristics of the water; by this means, a measure is obtained of the overall efficiency of water treatment processes. Positive results were obtained for treated water samples for standard plate count (a measure of the total number of bacteria in a water sample) with the highest count being 9 organisms per mL; the ODWO recommend that treated water not exceed 500 organisms per mL for standard plate count.

Analyses of 304 tests for metals in the water samples were reported; of these 132 were positive results. Metals can occur naturally and most are generally regarded as being ubiquitous. However, some may be present in water as a result of industrial or other discharges. A small number of metals have public health significance.

Of those parameters discussed above for which there are ODWO, none exceeded the Objectives except for organic nitrogen. Nor did the levels exceed any guidelines for drinking water set by other jurisdictions, such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA), the World Health Organization (WHO) and Health & Welfare, Canada (H&W, Canada). Furthermore, the results of these analyses are consistent with those obtained in other areas of the Great Lakes.

(b) Organic Substances

Of a total of 393 analyses for volatile organic compounds, only 35 were positive; 28 of these were from treated water samples and were all due to the presence of trihalomethanes. Due to possible prechlorination and inaccurate sampling techniques, 7 trihalomethanes were detected in raw water samples.

Trihalomethanes (THMs) are acknowledged to be produced during the water treatment process and will almost always only occur in treated waters. Trihalomethanes are comprised mainly of chloroform, chlorodibromomethane and dichlorobromomethane with bromoform occurring occasionally. Results are reported for the individual compounds as well as for their sum, which is expressed as total trihalomethanes (total THM). The ODWO for total THM is 350 ug/L; this level was not exceeded in any of the water samples included in this report, the highest level recorded being 43 ug/L on October 20, 1986.

Three hundred and forty four (344) tests were carried out for twenty three different pesticides; none was found above trace levels. Nine additional pesticides (propazine, atrazine, simazine, Sencor, Bladex, prometone, ametryne, prometryne and atratone) were analyzed for in both raw and treated water monthly. Alachlor and metolachlor were added to this test on July 21, 1986. None of the above pesticides was found.

Special pesticides (dicamba, 2,4-DP, 2,4-D, Silvex, 2,4,5-T, 2,4-DB and picloram) were analyzed for on August 19, 1986 and October 20, 1986. Additional



special pesticides were added onto the analysis for the October 20, 1986 sample date (Table 1A). None of these pesticides was found in any raw or treated water samples. Special pesticides are done at each supply, on a seasonal basis, to correspond to the use and/or loss of such pesticides on agricultural land.

Six chlorophenolic compounds

(2,4,6-trichlorophenol, 2,4,5-trichlorophenol, 2,3,4-trichlorophenol, 2,3,5,6-tetrachlorophenol, 2,3,4,5-tetrachlorophenol and pentachlorophenol) were analyzed for on two occasions (August 19, 1986 and October 20, 1986); none was found.

Only one other organic compound was found at quantifiable levels in treated water at this supply; this was a chloroaromatic, thus providing the 1 positive result out of a total of 182 analyses in this category. 1,2,4,5-tetrachlorobenzene was found in the treated water on November 17, 1986 at a concentration of 17 ng/L. There is no ODWO for this compound, however, the US EPA has set an ambient water quality criteria (assuming both fish and untreated water are consumed from the same body of water over a lifetime) of 38000 ng/L.

Review of these results, along with information from other DWSP sites\*, would indicate that certain chlorinated compounds, such as tetrachlorobenzene, appear more frequently in the treated water than in the raw water. The Ministry of the Environment

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\* Drinking Water Survey, St. Clair-Detroit River Area. Update August 1986. Ontario Ministry of the Environment.

(MOE) made a submission to the liaison group of the Canadian Council of Resource and Environment Ministries and the Federal/Provincial Advisory Committee on Environmental and Occupational Health (ACEOH) to consider setting drinking water guidelines for these compounds. The information will be forwarded to the ACEOH sub-committee on drinking water guidelines; MOE provides a representative for this sub-committee.

### CONCLUSIONS

The data reveal that for metals, inorganic ions, and bacterial parameters, raw water values are frequently in the detectable range; levels of metals and inorganics are also found in treated water. The levels of metals, inorganic compounds, and bacteria are consistent with those found in other water supplies in the province.

For the organic compounds, most are below detection levels, even though the most sophisticated equipment available was employed in the chemical analysis.

ODWO have not been established for some of the compounds analysed; for these few compounds, use was made of appropriate guidelines set by other agencies, such as the World Health Organization, the US Environmental Protection Agency, Health and Welfare Canada or other agencies. None of these guidelines was exceeded.

The report identifies a compound detected for which a drinking water guideline is not yet available. This compound has been submitted for consideration for setting a drinking water guideline to the appropriate expert groups by the Ministry of the Environment.

The treated water at the supply did not exceed any known health-related guidelines for organic substances applicable to drinking water.

TABLE 2  
LAKE HURON WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

PARAMETER GROUP		TYPE OF SAMPLE	
		RAW	TREATED
1.	GENERAL CHEMISTRY		
-	Total samples	126	126
-	Total positives	110	90
2.	METALS		
-	Total samples	152	152
-	Total positives	66	66
3.	BACTERIOLOGY		
-	Total samples	27	28
-	Total positives	19	4
4.	VOLATILES		
-	Total samples	197	196
-	Total positives	7	28
5.	PESTICIDES		
-	Total samples	172	172
-	Total positives	0	0
6.	CHLOROAROMATICS		
-	Total samples	91	91
-	Total positives	0	1
7.	CHLOROPHENOLS		
-	Total samples	12	12
-	Total positives	0	0
8.	SPECIAL PESTICIDES		
-	Total samples	105	105
-	Total positives	0	0

Table 3

## LAKE HURON WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM DWSP RESULTS

02/24/97

PARAMETERS	UNITS	SAMPLE DATE											
		86/06/16	86/07/21	86/08/21	86/09/15	86/10/20	86/11/17	86/12/15					
ALKALINITY	MG/L-CAC R	85.900	86.900	85.100	85.100	88.000	82.700	83.400					
	T	80.200	75.400	80.700	78.900	79.600	78.300	80.500					
ALUMINUM	MG/L-AL R	.046	.095	.100	.170	.220	.017	.095					
	T	.230	.027	.024	.130	.046	.087	.077					
BARIUM	MG/L-BA R	.013	.015	.014	.015	.015	.013	.012					
	T	.013	.013	.013	.013	.013	.012	.010					
BORON	MG/L-BO R	.020	.030		.020	.020	.020	.030					
	T	.020	.020	.020	.020	.020	.030	.020					
CALCIUM	MG/L-CA R	31.400	28.500	28.200	28.500	30.000	27.000	27.000					
	T	31.300	29.400	28.200	28.500	29.600	27.300	27.100					
CHLORIDE	MG/L-CL R	6.500	6.500	6.000	6.000	7.000	6.500	6.000					
	T	8.000	14.500	9.000	7.500	7.500	7.000	7.000					
COLOUR	HZU R	2.000	3.500										
	T		2.000										
CONDUCTIVITY	UMHO/CM R	220.00	223.00	213.00	211.00	227.00	209.00	212.00					
	T	224.00	234.00	217.00	217.00	233.00	210.00	216.00					
COPPER	MG/L-CU R	.001	.001	.001	.001	.001	.002	.002					
	T	.005	.003	.007	.005	.003	.002	.001					
FECAL COLIFORM MEMBRANE FILTRATION	CT/100ML R		5.000	15.000				1.000					
	T												
IRON	MG/L-FE R	.035	.078	.110	.150	.200	.022	.120					
	T	.004	.026	.033	.026		.007	.017					

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PARAMETERS	UNITS	SAMPLE DATE													
			86/06/16	86/07/21	86/08/21	86/09/15	86/10/20	86/11/17	86/12/15						
FLUORIDE	MG/L-F	R	.080	.080	.110	.100	.110	.100	.080						
		T	.090	.080	.090	.080	.080	.080	.090						
FIELD COMBINED CHLORINE RESIDUAL	MG/L-CL	R					.300	.100							
		T	.020		.400	.200	.300	.200	.200						
FIELD FREE CHLORINE RESIDUAL	MG/L-CL	R					1.000	.700							
		T	.950	.600	.700	.900	1.100	1.100	.900						
FIELD TOTAL CHLORINE RESIDUAL	MG/L-CL	R					1.300	.800							
		T	1.020	1.000	1.100	1.100	1.400	1.300	1.100						
FIELD PH		R	8.170	7.890	7.920	7.100	7.900	7.900	7.400						
		T	7.750	7.870	7.500	7.400	7.400	7.600	7.600						
FIELD TEMPERATURE	DEG.C	R	15.000	15.000	18.000	19.000	14.000	10.000	4.000						
		T	16.000	16.000	20.000	19.500	15.000	11.000	6.500						
FIELD TURBIDITY	FTU	R	2.300	.470	6.400	11.200	9.900	1.200	7.900						
		T	.220	.200	.190	.300	.220	.430	.500						
HARDNESS	MG/L-CAC	R	111.00	104.50	101.00	100.50	106.00	98.000	96.000						
		T	110.50	105.50	101.00	101.00	104.50	99.50	97.500						
STANDARD PLATE COUNT MEMBRANE FILT.	CT/ML	R	170.000					1800.0	204.00						
		T			9.000			5.000	2.000						
MERCURY	UG/L-HG	R		.020				.010							
		T		.010				.010							
MAGNESIUM	MG/L-MG	R	7.950	8.100	7.400	7.150	7.500	7.450	6.950						
		T	7.950	7.800	7.450	7.300	7.400	7.600	7.200						
MANGANESE	MG/L-MN	R	.002	.003	.004	.004	.003	.001	.004						
		T	.001	.013	.002	.003			.001						

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PARAMETERS	UNITS	SAMPLE DATE											
		95/06/15	95/07/21	95/08/21	95/09/15	95/10/20	95/11/17	95/12/15					
TOTAL SOLIDS	MG/L	R	143.00 CRO	150.00	155.00	195.00	149.00	136.00 CRO	131.00				
		T	146.00 CRO	152.00 CRO	146.00 CRO	149.00 CRO	151.00 CRO	137.00 CRO	122.00				
STRONTIUM	MG/L-SR	R	.110	.120	.100	.100	.100	.099	.087				
		T	.110	.110	.100	.110	.098	.093	.081				
TOTAL COLIFORM MEMBRANE FILTRATION	CT/100ML	R	2.000	6.000 A3C	27.000 A3C				11.000 A3C				
		T											
TOTAL COLIFORM BACKGROUND MF	CT/100ML	R	16.000	4200.0	7000.0		2.000	112.00	398.00				
		T			1.000								
TURBIDITY	FTU	R	2.100	5.000	4.600	9.200	10.300	1.410	7.500				
		T						.500	.620				
URANIUM	UG/L-U	R		.238	.250	.030	.260	.220	.250				
		T		.113	.240	.130	.100	.210	.230				
VANADIUM	MG/L-V	R					.001						
		T					.001						
CHLOROFORM	UG/L	R					27.000	10.000					
		T	42.000	19.000	19.000	24.000	30.000	23.000	20.000				
DICHLOROBROMOMETHANE	UG/L	R					12.000	7.000					
		T	15.000	9.000	10.000	10.000	12.000	10.000	9.000				
CHLORODIBROMOMETHANE	UG/L	R					1.000						
		T	6.000	4.000	5.000	5.000	1.000	1.000	4.000				
1245 TETRACHLOROBENZENE	NG/L	R											
		T						17.000					
TOTAL TRIHALOMETHANES	UG/L	R					10.000	17.000					
		T	163.000	132.000	134.000	139.000	143.000	134.000	133.000				



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PARAMETERS	UNITS	SAMPLE DATE											
		86/06/16	86/07/21	86/08/21	86/09/15	86/10/20	86/11/17	86/12/15					
ZINC	MG/L-ZN R	.001	.005	.001	.014	.002	.005	.003					
	T	.012	.014	.010	.026	.022	.029	.028					



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